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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SP, MO

SUBJECT: F-5 AIRCRAFT FOR MOROCCO

REF: STATE 69251

1. EMBASSY MAY INFORM FONOFF IN RESPONSE LOPEZ BRAVO' S
REQUEST TO SECRETARY AND SPANISH EMBASSY NOTE TO DEPARTMENT
THAT USG CONCURS IN PROPOSED SALE OF 6 F-5 A AND 12 F-5 B
AIRCRAFT TO MOROCCO, SUBJECT TO OUR RECEIPT OF ASSURANCES
TO USG IN WRITING FROM GOM THAT AIRCRAFT WILL REMAIN UNDER
CONTROL OF GOM, WILL BE USED ONLY FOR LEGITIMATE SELF-
DEFENSE OR INTERNAL SECURITY OF MOROCCO AND THAT GOM WILL
NOT TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OR POSSESSION TO ANY THIRD PARTY
WITHOUT PRIOR USG APPROVAL.

2. IF AIRCRAFT TO COME FROM NEW PRODUCTION CASA MUST HAVE
NORTHROP MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION TO OFFICE OF MUNITIONS
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CONTROL, DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND R AND D CHARGE WOULD BE PAYABLE TO USG. IF AIRCRAFT FROM SPANISH AIR FORCE INVENTORY THIS PROCEDURE NOT RPT NOT NECESSARY. HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT WOULD IN ANY CASE BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER AIRCRAFT FROM SAF INVENTORY OR NOT AND WOULD WELCOME ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY ABLE OBTAIN RE TERMS SALE TO GOM.

3. FYI: DEPARTMENT HAS INFORMALLY CONSULTED NORTHROP, WHICH DOES NOT RPT NOT OBJECT TO SPANISH SALE TO MOROCCO,

BUT ARGUES THAT LICENSING AGREEMENT REQUIRES CASA SEEK NORTHROP APPROVAL EVEN IN CASE OF AIRCRAFT FROM SAF INVENTORY. NORTHROP MAY GET IN TOUCH WITH CASA IN THIS REGARD. DEPARTMENT MADE CLEAR DEPARTMENT DOES NOT RPT NOT AGREE WITH NORTHROP'S INTERPRETATION LICENSING AGREEMENT. PORTER

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